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STARS OF THE FUTURE SHOWCASES SOUTHWEST **STUDENTS**

Southwest students performed their music and poetry and displayed their art at a "Stars of the Future" on May 4, sponsored by the Southwest Youth Activities Task Force,

the event was held at St. Augustine's Episcopal Church. We hope to have a photo story in the summer



■ 2. Singer -LaToya Davis, Bowen E.S.

▼ 1. Dancer - Jaunice Odom, Wilson H.S.



Flowers Planted At Bowen School On Earth Day

Dozens of flowers were planted by Bowen Elementary School students as a science project on

Earth Day.

Volunteers from several organizations helped the

students with the planting. Mrs. Robinson is the science teacher at Bowen and Mrs. Huff is the principal. The Military Sealift Command at the Navy Yard constructed a new sign for Lansburg Park adjacent to

Other volunteers were from the D.I.G. program, the Maryland Natural Plant Society, the Native Plant Society, the S.W. Neighborhood Assembly and local churches.

A theme garden was planted to spell out "BOWEN".



Volunteers Come in Various Stripes

For the past five years, the United States Coast Guard Headquarters has had a Partnership with Anthony Bowen Elementary School. This is a program which involves the entire school, the building as well as, the students. Traditionally, the Coast Guard has always responded in times of crisis. This is a time of crisis which they have chosen to address right here in our community.

Volunteers from the Coast Guard are given a wide selection of programs in which they are encouraged to participate. This Partnership is composed of several sub-commit-tees, which are listed below.

They are 1. Tutoring Sub-Committee: Tutors students one-on-one; 2. Innovative Programs Sub-Committee: Coordinates special activities, events, and observances; 3. Mentoring Sub-Committee: Helps to sustain an active program to bring positive role models from all walks of life into the school to meet and speak to students of all grade levels, and some of the volunteers serve as group leaders in the Self Esteem Program; 4. Logistics Sub-Committee: Finds surplus equipment and supplies for the school from surplus inventories and voluntary donations and takes care of minor building repairs; 5. Explorer Sub-Committee: Arranges off-site educational excursions for students Congress, Mount Vernon, The Washington Post, the Coast Guard Yard, etc.; 6. Administrative Support Sub-Committee: Reviews and grades student papers, provides administrative assistance to school's main office, library, counselors, teachers and nurses; oversees food basket drives and Adopt-A-Family program.

Many Coast Guard districts and units throughout the country are already participating in their communities as partners in education. They are helping the Nation's youths

of all ethnic and racial backgrounds and gender.

Partnerships are more than unit activities. Individual members -regular, Reserve, Auxiliary, civilian and retirees may build relationships with local schools. If you are interested, please call Mr. Luther M. Rhone, Equal Opportunity Specialist, US Coast Guard Headquarters at 202/267-1367.

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Come and Hear Delegate **Eleanor Holmes Norton** on Wednesday, May 28th.

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SWNA Meeting

The June Meeting of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, SWNA, will be on Wednesday, May 28th at St. Matthew's Church, 3rd & M.Sts. at 7:00 p.m. The speaker will be DELEGATE ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON. Her theme will be "How you will benefit from the Norton Tax Plan and Other Federal Iniatives."



SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- May 28 Wednesday: Southwest Neighborhood Assembly General Meeting, 7 p.m., St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, 222 M Street
- May 29 Thursday: "The Southwester" Meeting regular & new writers for the paper, staff meeting at Carole Early's house, call 488-3355 at 7:30 p. m.
- June 2 Monday: Southwest Neighborhood Assembly Board, 7 p.m. Southeastern University 501 Eye Street Southwest
- Jun 3 Tuesday: Fil-Am Toastmasters Club 6:50 p.m. Southwest Branch Library Wesley Place and K Street Southwest
- Jun 3 Tuesday: First District MPD Citizens Advisory Council, 7:30 p.m. 1D Headquarters, 415 Fourth Street, Southwest
- Jun 7 Saturday: Komen Toastmasters Club 10 a.m. Southwest Branch Library, Wesley Place and K Street Southwest
- Jun 7 Saturday: Dedication of Calico SW Project Showcase 10:30 a.m. 12:30, Southwest Branch Library, Wesley Place and K Street, Southwest
- Jun 7 Saturday: Fourth Street Neighborhood Group 2nd Annual Yard Sale 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. along Fourth Street Southwest, from M to P Streets
- Jun 10 Tuesday: Fil-Am Toastmasters Club 6:45 p.m. Southwest Branch Library Wesley Place and K Street Southwest
- Jun 11 Wednesday: AARP SW Waterfront Chapter 4751Noon, St. Matthews Lutheran Church 222 M Street Southwest
- June 18 Wednesday: Wiley Branton CDC Board Meeting, 7 p.m. St. Augustine Church 600 M Street Southwest
- June 19 Thursday: AARP-SW Waterfront Chapter luncheon cruise on the Spirit of Washington boarding at 11 a.m. ticket-\$21.00 Maine Ave. SW Pier
- Jun 21 Saturday: Komen Toastmasters Club 10 a.m. Southwest Branch Library, Wesley Place and K Street Southwest
- Jun 24 Tuesday: Fil-Am Toastmasters Club 6:45 p.m. Southwest Branch Library Wesley Place and K Street Southwest
- Jun 30 Monday: Final Southwest Meighborhood Assembly next SWNA Meeting will be in the fall, 7:00 p.m. Southwest Branch Library

There will be no NARFE Meetings until September 25. It will meet at 1:30 p.m. at Southwest Branch Library. Wesley Place and K Street Southwest.

Please submit calendar items by the first of each month to C.W. Hargrave, (202) 554-8284

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"WILEY BRANTON CDC HOLDS ANNUAL

The Wiley Branton Community Development Corporation held its 4th Annual Meeting on Wednesday, April 16, 1997, at St. Augustine's Church.

The meeting was well attended and a great deal of information on "What's Going On In Your Community" was presented. The Associate Dean of Southeastern University, David F. Courter was the main speaker.

Other speakers included: William "Bill" Know and Larry Dwyer of the D.C.Housing Authority; Alphonso Coles, SW Clinic, D.C. General Hospital; Juanita Smallwood of the So/Washington/West of the River Family Strengthening Collaborative; David Saunders; The Navy Yard Project; Albert "Butch" Hopkins, Anacostia Economic Development Corporation, updating the Enterprise Zone Project; Judy Popds, WBCDC Board Member, Syphax School Project; Gottlieb Simon, WBCDC Board Member, The Portals Project; and Margaret Feldman, Mall Committee Chair, "The Status of the Mall."

There were questions and answers and an Annual Report* was given to all who attended the meeting. Election of new members took place and Bert Coleman and Bill Robinson Parks were elected each for three-year terms.

Board Members are:

Ronson Britt, President Toni Cassidy, ANC Representative Bert Coleman Suzanne Huff, Secretary Juanita Lyle

Jeanne Macdonald Bill Robinson Parks

Gottlieb Simon, SW House Rep. Constance Smallwood

Ethel James Williams, SWNA Rep. Rosemary Woodruff

Contact Yvonne Price, WBCDC Coordinator,

After the Annual Meeting, A reception was held with refreshments donated by the TRACKS CLUB. Board Members Constance Smallwood and Rosemary Woodruff

chaired the Reception Committee.

NOTE: WE HAVE EXTENDED THE DEADLINE FOR OUR COMMUNITY DIRECTOR PLEASE GET YOUR LISTINGS AND ADS IN...

WBCDC Annual Report Available at SW Library.

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Drop off your stories and/or photos by June 11th, 1997, in the box behind the counter at the SW Library, 3rd & I SW. (Submitted photos are the property of the Shouthwester.) You june also mail submissions to: The Southwester, P.O. Box 70131, Washington, D.C. 20024.

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The objective of the Southwest Neighborhood
Assembly, a.k.a. SWNA is:
to improve the quality of life for all residents of the Southwest;
to open to every Southwest resident the wide cultural horizon
of modern urban living; to help create rich an equal social,
educational and economic opportunities for every boy and girl
of the Southwest; to assist in providing the opportunity for
gainful employment for every adult resident; to promote
development of the aesthetic potential of the Southwest. These
objectives shall be pursued without regard to the social,
economic and racial barriers that have divided cities in the past.



Jarvis as ninth President of Southeastern University.(left to right)Mr. Gordon Hamel, Dr. Ephraim Okoro, Professor Clarence Braddock, Dr. Bernard Coleman, chairman and Mr. Perry Woofter

Investiture of Dr. Charlene Drew

DR. CHARLENE DREW JARVIS IS OFFICIALLY INSTALLED AS SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY'S NINTH PRESIDENT

by: Ingrid Fitzgerald
On Saturday, April 26, 1997, Dr. Charlene Drew Jarvis
was officially installed as SEU's ninth president. The inauguration was held in the beautiful Eisenhower Theater in the
John F. Kennedy Center and was attended by many students, faculty, staff and well wishers. Dr. Bernard F.

dents, faculty, staff and well wishers. Dr. Bernard F. Coleman, Chairman of the Board, presided over the actual investiture, and the Master of Ceremonies was Professor Albert C. Freeman, Chairman, Theater Arts Department, Howard University.

The morning of the inaugural was a beautiful warm day. By 11:00 a.m., all those who were to participate in the ceremony were assembled on stage and the delegates and the faculty were seated directly below the stage. After months of preparation, the installation ceremony was ready to proceed.

To start things off, Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton To start things off, Delegate Eleanor Hollies Notion spoke to the crowd of more than 500 people, of Dr. Charlene Drew Jarvis' life-long accomplishments and her vision with regard to the university. She was followed by The Honorable Linda W.Cropp, Councilmember at Large and Jack Evans, Councilmember, Ward 2. All three speakand Jack Evans, Councilmember, ward 2. All three speak-ers applauded Dr. Jarvis' achievements and her ambition in charting Southeastern University's path toward success into the next millennium. The title of her speech was "Southeastern University - An asset held in trust for Business Leaders of the World." In it, she expressed her ideas for SEU.

Many of the SEU staff also spoke at the ceremony: Dr. Fay Avery, Dean of Academic Administration, Professor Clarence Braddock; Mr. George Tucker, President of the

Student Government Association/Member, Board of Trustees: Ms. Gayle Damelin, Director, Student Services;

Trustees; Ms. Gayle Damelin, Director, Student Services; Dr. Ephraim Okoro, Director Southeastern University Alumni Association and Member, Board of Trustees, and Dr. Bernard F. Coleman, Chairman, Board of Trustees.

The final address was given by none other than our very own president, Dr. Charlene Drew Jarvis. She spoke eloquently of her goal to make our students, "Business Leaders of the World." Further, she described how it is an honor to serve as the first woman president as well as the first African American Woman president of Southeastern University. She referred to SEU as a "Jewel on the Potomac." Indeed it was an important day in the university's history.

SEU Reception, Standing Room Only!

Immediately following the installation ceremony, a reception was held at the University. Delicious food was served and the courtyard was adorned with umbrella tables, where the guests sat and took advantage of the beautiful

Dr. Jarvis was swarmed with well wishers from all over the city as well as by her own family who traveled from near and far for the big day. It took an extraordinary orchestration of people and uni-

residuates that this event was a success. After all, many people were visiting SEU for the first time. Staff was on hand to answer questions about the university as well as take guests on tours.

This new Presidency is really going to help put

Southeastern University on the map

The Southwest Neighborhood **Assembly Meeting**

The SWNA Meeting which was held on April 28th began at 7:00 p.m. The keynote speaker was Dr. Fay Avery, Academic Dean of Southeastern University. Dr. Charlene Drew Jarvis was slated to speak but at the last minute, she had to attend a City Council Meeting.

Dr. Avery spoke about the many programs which are "in the works" at SEU. The CAPs program which is for high school students, is slated for this summer. SEU wants to have a role in the development of Southwest and it is nice

Former board members and several leaders of the community were thanked and awarded certificates as well as gifts.



President Marc Weiss awarding Peggy Jackson and Walter Brooks

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Hats-Off

It is Graduation Time and we'd like to take our "Hats Off" to a number of Southwesters. We are really proud of them. First off, we salute Johari Rasheed. She earned her Ph.D. First off, we salute Johan Kasneed. She carned her Ph.D. from Howard University. Gary Hill graduated from the Family Bible College in Baltimore, Maryland. Naita Brooks of G Street, earned her undergraduate degree at Howard University. Polly Talbott (daughter of Reverend & Mrs John Talbott) of I Street, graduated from Trinity

Jamal Jones (son of Thelma Jones) finished Jefferson Junior High School among other young southwesters.

Tamil Perry, an honor student at Bethune-Cookman in Daytona Beach, Florida, working here this summer for Fannie May.

Students from Amidon, Bowen, Jefferson and Wilson, "Stars of the Future", who sang, danced, recited, played the piano and exhibited their painting and other arts on a recent Sunday, they entertained parents, teachers and other community members at the first annual concert of the Youth Activities Task Force of the Southwest Assembly. The concert was at St. Augustine's, and was followed by a reception and refreshments for all, given by the task force and the

SOUTHWEST VOLUNTEERS

Mary Ann Bailer and many others who give their time MARY AND Ballet and many others who give their time and energy to cleaning up our area, working to make the Southwest Festival of the Arts a success and giving services to young people and senior citizens. Davelene Renshaw, who is helping to reduce bus fumes and noise in our neighborhood by going to authorities concerning tour bus parking and idling engines in the wrong places. Members of the Scholarship Committee, a task force of the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, SWNA, who raise money for partial scholarships to neighborhood youths who will be attending college in the fall. The committee members are in the process of collecting applications and receiving donations for the recipients. Applications can be pick up from the Southwest Branch Library. Donations can be made by sending a check to The Southwest Scholarship Committee, POB 70481, Washington, DC

Nine of the present recipients are graduating this year.
Miya Rashida Gray - Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute,
with a BS degree in electrical engineering, Yolanda D. Earl of the control of the B.A. in Fine Arts, All Gorden - was awarded a dual cegree, a B.S. in Mathematics from Morehouse College and a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology, Nicole Boykin - Howard University, Jameela Ball - West Virginia State; Todd Frankel - graduated from the University of Delaware (ask Laurie), Jonathan Mitchell was careful to the conductor from Morris Province. who graduated from Morris Brown
College and Michelle Neal - Norfolk State University.

Condolences to Al Hudgens on the loss of his father.
Please leave brief "Hats Off To" items in the box at the
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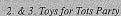


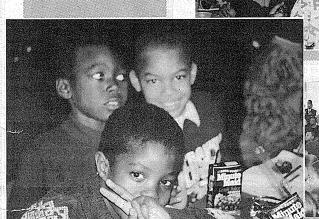
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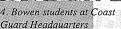
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1. One-on-one Tutoring (young Coast Guard Officer w. one student)









7. Mr. Luther M. Rhone,

head of the program

5. Toys for Tots Party



6. End of Year Picnic/Good Citizen Picnic at Ft. McNair

Calico — SW

The DC Public Library is happy to announce CALICO-SW: A SHOWCASE on Saturday, June 7, 1997 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Southwest Branch Library (920 Wesley Place, SW). This event will showcase the long-awaited computer lab for adult learners. The Southwest community is invited to attend the hands-on orientation session, meet staff, and preview the educational software available for adults' basic skills improvement. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, feel free to call Paula Johnson Williams, of the Library's Literacy Resources Division at 202/727-1616.

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Donate A Book For A Child

During the month of May, we invite you to donate one book to the Southwest Child Development Center (located at M and Delaware Avenue, S.W. - St. Matthews Lutheran Church)

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Southwest Community House Seeks Support for Its Work of Helping Neighbors

by Michelle Barrett Ferrier
Tucked in a corner of Southwest D.C., in the shadow of the landscaped grounds of Fort McNair, lies a venerable institution of Washington. The Southwest Community House on Second and Q Streets has presided over this community

on Second and Q Streets has presided over this community for over 95 years.

On June 18, the Southwest House will be honoring a community leader with its Father Norman Haddad Community Service Award at its Fourth Annual Awards Reception. This year's theme, "Building Community One Friend At a Time," highlights the direct, individualized services the organization provides. The event is also its only fundraiser of the year, to which all community residents and leaders are invited.

One of the oldest agencies of its kind in the nation,

leaders are invited.

One of the oldest agencies of its kind in the nation, Southwest House provides social services to the economically less privileged and serves as a catalyst to promote community and individual growth.

While the white external paint on the old brick Victorian is peeling and its front age-worn wooden steps groan under the weight of community woes, inside Southwest House serves up hore through a variety of direct services to resiserves up hope through a variety of direct services to residents of all ages.

Youth are the focus of many of the newer programs of

Youth are the Tocus of Inally of the Inewa Pidganas of Southwest House. The Dollars for Scholars project invites children in grades 3 through 12 to bring in their report cards to the House. Scholars are encouraged with monetary rewards between \$3 and \$10 depending on age, plus \$5 for perfect attendance. More than 200 children received positive reinforcement for their academic achievements in last year's program.

The House also began a tutorial program for elementary youth, operated a five-week Summer Enrichment Program at Jefferson Junior High School focused on developing computer skills, a summer jobs orientation program, among

other ongoing initiatives.

Adults also receive attention at the House. Through crisis intervention, Southwest House helps about 50 people

weekly with emer-gency food and clothing, budget counsel-ing, and other day-today survival issues. Employment counseling assists several hundred clients to apply for jobs with employers through-out the metropolitan

household each month, including many senior citizens. At the Greenleaf Senior Apartment Building on Delaware Avenue, the House operates a senior center that assists residents with food assistance and counseling services.

Through relationships with other community agencies such as the Southwest Neighborhood Assembly, the Southwest Group Ministry, the Police Boys and Girls Club, the Randall Men's Shelter, the Lion's Club, and others, the Southwest House supports community clean-ups, camps for kids, vision and hearing screenings, and other services critical to the health and welfare of the community.

With modest means, this community institution provides valuable and critical resources to Southwest and its residents. Now it reaches out for community support to do even more.

even more

even more.

Please help continue this important work with a \$40 donation (includes buffet dinner) to the Fourth Annual Southwest Community
House Awards Reception, June 18, 1996. For more information, call (202) 488-7210.



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Fourth Street Group Plans June 7 Yard Sale

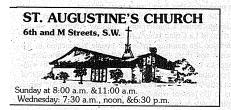
By Alice Baker

The Second Annual Fourth Street Neighborhood Group Yard Sale and Community Celebration will be held on Saturday, June 7, 1997 from 9:00AM - 2:00PM. (Rain date is Sunday, June 8.) Eight Southwest cooperatives and con-dominiums will hold individual yard sales along Fourth Street between M and P Streets, joined by church, youth and other groups in the neighborhood. Everyone is invited to celebrate their community as they seek out unusual sale items, baked good and lunchtime snacks.

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Participating will be residents of Carrollsburg Square,
Carrollsburg, Tiber Island Cooperative and Condominium,
River Park, Edgewater, Channel Square and Riverside.

The Fourth Street Neighborhood Group, organizer of
this second annual community yard sale, is an informal
association of homeowners who live in the condominiums
and cooperatives which line Fourth Street, S.W., between M
and P Streets. Formed in 1994, the Group meets the fourth Wednesday of each month to share information about activities and initiatives that affect the quality of life in our Southwest neighborhood as well as pursue efforts which will-enhance the image, appearance and property values of the Southwest-Waterfront area. Mark your calendar and join in the fun!



Galilee

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"Alex" was born in Southwest to Raymond Southerland and Ethel M. Briscoe. He was a very good husband and father: wife, Kathy Briscoe, children, Alex, Jr., Alexia. Kathy, Trayon and Alexis. He had 2 brothers and 3 sisters.

Alex was extremely well-liked by everyone. He was a Correctional Officer for the State of Maryland. He died as a result of a car accident on July 8, 1994.

Alex's greatest joys in life were taking care of his family, playing Nintendo, and being a "Master of All Trades"—being good at creating things with his hands. He never smoked or drank. He was very health-conscious where exercise and food were concerned. As a man, and a Black man, Alex was truly a credit to his family and the Southwest community. Alex, We Love You and Severely Miss You,

THE FAMILY AND NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS OF SOUTHWEST

News from Southwest Churches

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church will host Ms. Katherine Woolford, Executive Director of Lutheran World Relief, on Sunday, June 8. She will lead a discussion group at 10 a.m. and preach at 11 a.m. St. Matthew's summer schedule begins on June 22 with Sunday School at 9 a.m. and worship at 10 a.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Roman Catholic Church has begun Bingo every Tuesday. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and games start at 8:00 p.m. Food and refreshments sold. Parking available. 14 M St. SE

The Southwest Group Ministry announces Project Wonder Summer Bible Camp. Now in its third year, Project Wonder will be held Monday, August 11 - Friday, August 15, from 10 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This year's theme will be Jesus the Healer. Camp is open to children in pre-school through 7th graders. The site will be at Lansburg Park, Delaware Ave. SW. For more information on volunteering or to register your child, call 488-1354.

The gospel music of the Kings of Harmony and the art of Southwester Greg Scott will be featured in a celebration of faith and the arts on Saturday, June 28, 7:00 p.m. at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 4th and I Sts. SW. Reception will follow. All are invited.

Riverside Garners CAI Awards for Second Time

Each year the Washington Metropolitan Chapter of the Community Association Institute (WMCCAI) bestows the title of Community Association of the Year to the association demonstrating the highest level of excellence in all facets of community operations. 1997's winner of this prestigious award is Riverside Condominium.

At ceremonies held during the Chapter's 1997 Exposition, president Howard Goldklang presented a plaque commemorating the event to Riverside Directors Jane Boorman and Janell Walker.

Long a show place in southwest, Riverside has been called its best kept secret and is no stranger to accolades. In 1994 the condominium picked up the Washington Metropolitan award and went on to win nationwide recognition as Community of the Year.

Astronomy Web Site

Phil Oliver, a Southwest resident, is a Science Resource teacher at the M.V. Leckie Elementary School. He is an active community volunteer and has recently designed an astronomy web site for kids. The address is: http://www.xerols.com/pro5/astrobob.html.

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It gives some basic information on space and the solar system. Elementaryage students have the chance to learn about Madly Moving Mercury, Vision of Venus, Ecological Earth, Magnificent Mars, Jurisdiction of Jupiter, Not-so-Suddenly Saturn, Urgent Uranus, Nifty Nepune and Pluto the Puzzling Planetoid. All written by earthling, Astrobeb, aka Phil Oliver

What a great way to motivate children. It can be accessed from any internet or use the one at the Southwest Branch Library.



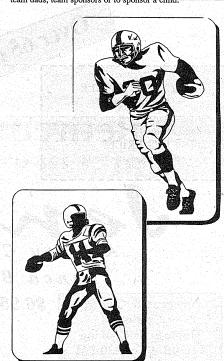
The Friends of the Southwest Library, FOL, held their book sale on May 8. Many people took advantage of being able to buy books at an inexpensive price. Sales for the day were \$800.00.

Football, Cheerleader Sign-up Underway at Club 4

Boys ages 8 to 14 can register for tackle football now at Metropolitan Police Boys and Girls Club #4 in the rear of Bowen school. Hours for registration are Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 5 pm to 7 pm. through July 15. Girls can join the cheer leading team now too.

The \$25 registration fee can be paid later on.

For information, call Alvin Hudgens at the Club, 727-4618. Adult volunteers are needed to be coaches, team moms, team dads, team sponsors or to sponsor a child.



Uncle Gregg Offers Saturday Art Workshops

Two months of Saturday art workshops for youth ages 7 - 14 will be held June 7 - August 2 at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 400 I St. SW. Greg Scott, a Southwest resident and professional artist and painter, will conduct the workshops. Mr. Scott received his degree from Pratt in NYC and is currently the Visual Artist-in-Residence at Children's Hospital in D.C. Mr. Scott is offering the workshops in partnership with the Southwest Renaissance Center, a new ministry of Westminster Presbyterian. The 1st Session will be June 7 - June 28; the 2nd Session will be July 12 - August 2. Ages 7-11 will meet from 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. Ages 12-14 will meet from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Ten slots are available for each workshop. An exhibition and program will be held at the end of the program.

For information on tuition and registration, please call

202-484-0357.



Southeastern University Career Fair

501 I Street, SW, Washington, DC 20024

June 4, 1997, 4:00pm-7:00pm OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY

BOY SCOUT TROOP/CUB SCOUT PACK #300

What a better way to promote good character, responsible citizenship, and a healthy camaraderie among boys ages 6-18 than to participate in Scouting. For the past 60 years, the leaders of Boy Scout Troop/Cub Scout Pack #300 have guided young males to:

"do their best..."; "to do their duty to God and...country"; "to help other people..."; and

to obey the Scout Law ... ".

The troop has been a part of the Southwest community since 1937. Sponsored by Second Baptist Church at "M" and Canal Streets, S.W., the troop currently boasts a membership of more than 26 boys: 19+ Cub Scouts (ages 6-10); 6 Boy Scouts (ages 11-18). The adult leaders are Scoutmaster Jerome E. Lucas; Assistant Scoutmasters Raheem S. Uqdah & Alton Cheaves; Cubmaster Janice P.

Lucas; Assistant Cubmaster Angelo Vaughn; the Chartered Organization Representative; Thomas F. Davis and the Executive Officer, Pastor H. Joseph Franklin. Many of the adult leaders are parents or grandparents of Troop/Pack #300 members.

The Scouts have participated in a wide variety of activities this year ranging from a field trip to Baltimore's Great Blacks in Wax Museum to racing pinewood cars (painted and detailed by the Scouts), to the all-important goal of earning recognition and badges that show achievement along the various trails in the Scouting adventure. Additionally, the individual age groups of Scouts either have been or are preparing for overnight camping trips.

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During this summer the Scouts will participate in a wide variety of athletic and recreational activities (e.g., hiking, fishing, and swimming). The older Scouts annually attend a one-week event at the Goshen Boy Scout Camp in Lexington, VA.

Lexington, VA.

The Cub Scouts meet at Second Baptist Church Southwest on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.; Boy Scouts meet Mondays at 7:30 p.m. For further information, call (202) 269-1503.

Theater Review by Wallace Babington CLINIDAY INITHE

SUNDAY IN THE PARK WITH GEORGE

"Arena Stage and Signature Theater present Sunday in the Park with George." This phrase appears on the program cover for the musical now showing at Arena's Kreeger Theater. It sounds simple enough - as though it were a common occurrence. But be assured it is not. These two local organizations have developed a first rate musical theater production that would have been well received in New York and deserves the support of Washington's serious theater and music lovers. The combined creative talent and resources of Arena and Signature have made it possible for us to enjoy a rarely performed Sondheim/Lapine classic in a production that does justice to its creators.

The musical centers around the creation of the artist George Seurat's masterpiece, "Sunday Afternoon on the Island of La Grand Jatte." In the first Act we watch Seurat develop the painting, meet the people represented in the scene and then watch as the painting itself miraculously appears before us. We come to know Seurat and his mistress/model Dot as their love affair plays out in the midst of an artist's creative drive and passion. The second Act brings us to the present with Seurat's great-great grandson struggling with today's problems and issues that the modern artist must face.

It would be difficult if not impossible to single out portions of the production that warrant special attention. The cast is flawless in every respect - especially Sal Viviano and Liz Larsen as Seurat and Dot. The costumes, setting, lighting, music all combine to give us an evening of absolute pleasure and delight. I have now seen the work of Director Eric Schaeffer at both Signature and Arena; he manages to bring out the very best in both Signature's small space and the more elaborate and technically sophisticated resources of Arena. Obviously real talent and creativity are not limited by material and space.

One of the characters sings, "Art Isn't Easy." What could be more true? Mounting a musical like this today is a challenging, frustrating and demanding task. And these two theater groups have come together to give us a theatrical experience that challenges the mind, the heart and the spirit. The music is not the confrontational MTV nor the easily accessible "The King and I." But it is sharp and intelligent and rewarding. The text of the show requires us to think - to consider what real art is and what creativity requires of those who gives their lives to it. To miss this show is a tragedy for anyone who loves real theater, serious, complex music and ideas that challenge the commonplace.

Sunday in the Park with George. Music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim. Book by James Lapine. At the Kreeger Theater through June 15.

